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PRESS RELEASE

Enyo Law launches contentious tax and insolvency practices

LONDON - 27 March 2017 - Specialist disputes firm Enyo Law is delighted to announce the appointment of Fiona Walkinshaw, a commercial and tax litigation specialist, and Louise Bell, who specialises in insolvency disputes, as partners.

Fiona has 30 years' experience of handling and resolving complex commercial and tax disputes. From 2009 to 2015 she focused exclusively on tax litigation as a partner and head of corporate tax disputes at Deloitte LLP. In this period she advised on some of the most high profile and important tax cases to reach the courts as well as giving strategic, tactical and practical advice to clients at all stages of the HMRC enquiry process. Prior to this Fiona had a broad commercial disputes practice including civil fraud, banking and finance litigation, shareholder and partnership disputes, and professional negligence. She now enjoys a mix of work across the commercial and tax disputes spectrum.

Louise is described by her clients as a "brave and technically gifted litigator" and is praised for her ability to find innovative and practical solutions to problems. She has been involved in a number of high profile cases including *Jetivia SA & Another -v- Biltal (UK) Limited & Others* [2015] UKSC 23 which is now a leading authority on the illegality defence. Working frequently with licenced insolvency practitioners, Louise is very used to working in a collaborative environment to achieve results.

Simon Twigden commented: "We are delighted to welcome Fiona and Louise to our firm. Fiona is one of the top tax litigators in the UK and her practice is a natural fit for our disputes only firm. Louise's insolvency expertise also adds another string to our bow as our firm is fast becoming a firm of choice for top quality disputes lawyers. We are looking forward to working with them both."

Fiona Walkinshaw added: "The opportunity to develop a tax disputes practice at such a dynamic stage in Enyo Law's development is extremely exciting and I look forward to being a part of its continuing success."

Louise Bell said: "I am excited to join Enyo Law. As law firms continue to develop and merge, the ability to carry out litigation in a conflict free environment is diminishing considerably. By joining Enyo Law, I will be able to act without restriction for my existing clients. I also hope to add another dimension to Enyo Law's already impressive array of specialist litigators."

Note to Editors:

Fiona has a law degree from Cambridge University. She qualified with Withers in 1988 and moved to Theodore Goddard in 1990 where she was a commercial litigation assistant for six years. In 1996 she moved to the Arthur Andersen law firm, Garretts, to form a new litigation group for them, and was promoted to partner in 1998. It was at Garretts that Fiona began to work on tax disputes. Following the demise of Arthur Andersen in 2002, Fiona moved as a partner to Reynolds Porter Chamberlain where she became head of their commercial litigation group and set up a tax disputes practice for them. In 2009 the opportunity arose for Fiona to join one of her major clients, Deloitte LLP, as a partner and head of corporate tax disputes.

Louise has a law degree from Exeter University. Originally qualifying with Wedlake Bell, she moved to Gateley as a partner in 2007 to set up their London insolvency team. She joined Olswang in 2014 and leaves ahead of their tri-partite merger with CMS Cameron McKenna and Nabarro to join Enyo Law.

About Enyo Law:

Enyo Law is a specialist disputes firm with an outstanding reputation for achieving success for its clients. Founded in 2010 with the objective of creating a leading conflict free disputes practice, Enyo Law has built on the results achieved by its dynamic team to become one of the largest and most successful disputes firms in the City. The appointment of Fiona and Louise, together with recent internal promotions, will bring the number of partners to 15.